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SUBJECT	1. Production of Foot-and-Mouth Disea Vaccine at the Friedrich Loeffler			6 September 1955	25 X 1	
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- 1. The Friedrich Loeffler Institute, Riems Island, is the only producer of 25X1 foot-and-mouth disease vaccine in East Germany. There is, however, in addition to Riems, a second virus-producing station. This station is located in a slaughterhouse in East Berlin on Harzbergerstrasse (phonetic spelling). Virus produced at this station is shipped to Riems where it is processed into foot-and-mouth disease vaccine.
- Vaccine is produced annually in the amount to vaccinate every adult bovine in East Germany once each year. The dose of vaccine used in East Germany is about one-tenth of that used in West Germany because the vaccine is not filtered and a higher concentration of virus material is thus possible. The cost of the vaccine is 100 DME per dose.
- 3. At the beginning of 1955 the export of foot-and-mouth vaccine to other countries was almost nil. This drop in exports is attributed to the following factors:
 - a. The incidence of foot-and-mouth disease has been fairly low in most countries, thereby reducing the need for vaccine.
 - b. Most Soviet Bloc countries now produce their own vaccine.
- 4. The only organizational unit outside of the Riems Island complex over which the Friedrich Loeffler Institute has direct administrative control is the Impstoffe-Anstalt, Berlin-Hohenschoenhausen, which acts as a central point for distribution of vaccine.
- There is no direct official administrative connection between the Forschungsanstalt fuer Tierseuchen Friedrich-Loeffler-Institut on Riems Island and other installations such as the Forschungs-Institut fuer Impstoffe, Dessau. The Friedrich Loeffler Institute is a member institute of the East German Academy of Agricultural Sciences. The director of the Academy of Agricultural Sciences is appointed by the Minister of Agriculture and, presumably, is responsible directly to the Minister. The director has various administrative sections to assist him, one of which is the Section for Veterinary Medicine. On the other hand, the Forschungs-Institut fuer Sector-Re-E-T

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